MARION ENERGY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Meeting Minutes 26 Mar 12

- 1. The meeting convened at 7:04PM in the Marion Music Hall.
- 2. Marion meeting attendees:

David Pierce Eunice Manduca Norman Hills Rob Fisher

Bill Saltonstall

Jennifer Francis

- 3. Others present: Georga Sparling
- 4. The minutes from 27 Feb 12 and 5 Mar 2012 were approved.
- 5. Green Community qualification discussion:
 - Criterion #1 as-of-right:
 - No progress to report
 - Criterion #3 energy audit:
 - o Norm reported that TNT Energy has not yet provided report.
 - O Related David reported talking to Jeff Osuch (Fairhaven) who had reported that they have been installing LED street lights which have resulted in significant savings. Rob added that he had talked to Jeff also and that Fairhaven had to buy the street lights from NSTAR with the result that the town now needs a service company to service the lights. They have a done 400 street lights (approximately ¼ of the total) and expect the lights to last 20-25 years. As they progress the cost of the lights is dropping, now down to \$300 per fixture.
 - Criterion #4 Fuel efficient vehicles
 - o No progress to report.
 - Criterion #5 -Stretch Code:
 - No progress to report.

6. Town Meeting –

- David reported talking to Finance Committee Chairman who noted that this may not be a good time for our proposed warrant article.
- After discussion on the subject, and noting that we do not yet have the TNT Energy report to provide specifics to justify the request, a motion was made to withdraw the warrant article. The motion was seconded and voted unanimously.

7. Energy Wise articles:

• Jennifer will draft an article adressing the free energy audits that homeowners can receive from NSTAR.

8. SourceOne Proposal

• The town is still meeting to discuss this issue. This issue will have to go to Town Meeting as it involves a commitment over five years.

- Bill has contacted TNT Energy to coordinate baseline data on the town facilities. Bill also noted that the original data included demand charges in the totals but did not break out their amounts.
- Rob reported that he had more data from NSTAR with respect to charges, rate
 development, capacity for spikes, and time of day usage some of which he briefly
 explained.
- 9. Bill reported that he had talked to Paul Dawson about the search for potential sites for a solar installation for private and business investment. One such site might be the capped landfill, Paul's response was favorable.
 - Bill and Jennifer will look at other potential sites.
 - Bill noted that the potential for decreasing SRECs in the future could impact a solar installation.
- 10. The meeting schedule for 2012 will continue to meet at 7PM on the fourth Monday of each month at the Music Hall. The projected meeting schedule is: 23 Apr, 28 May, 25 Jun, 23 Jul, 27 Aug, 24 Sep, 22 Oct, 26 Nov.

11. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully,

Norman A. Hills, secretary

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